material needed for meeting its own requirements, preferable by establishment of a direct relationship between the factory and the individuals who can grow the raw material by supporting the individuals with inputs including credit, constant technical advice and finally harvesting and transport services.

(2) Natural forests serve as a gene pool resource and help to maintain ecological balance. Such forests will not, therefore, be made available to industries for undertaking plantation and for any other activities.

Insurance policy

405. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that insurance policy does not cover any compensation for death or injury resulting from nuclear radiation; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken by Government for such inclusion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) It is an universal practice to exclude any loss, injury or damage arising from nuclear and ionising radiation under general insurance policies. However, general insurance companies issue, on demand, special contingency policies covering only employees of factories, etc. for accidental death or injury resulting only from X-Ray/Gamma Rays radiation and no other risks.

In the case of life insurance policies, there is, however, no such exclusion.

Infiltration from Bangladesh

406. SHRI CHITTA BASU:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether of late, there has been large scale infiltration of Bangladeshi nationals into the States of Tripura, Assam, West Bengal and Bihar;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what preventive steps Government have taken or propose to take to check such large scale infiltration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Government are aware that infiltration takes place through Bangladesh border. Information regarding the number of persons apprehended on Indo-Bangladesh bord during the year 1988 and 1989 (up to February) is furnished in the attached statement (*See* below). Bihar does not have international border with Bangladesh.

(c) The BSF have been strengthened as also more border outposts and Observation Post Towers, sophisticated equipments, vehicles etc. provided to increase vigilance on Indo-Bangladesh border.

Statement

Number of infiltrators apprehended by BSF on Indo-Bangladesh border during the year 1988 *and* 1989 *(upto February).*

Sector of the Border	Year	Apprehended at the border	Pushed back	Handed over to State Police for necessary action
Assam	1988	102	15	87
	1989 (Upto Feb.)	17	...	17
Meghalaya	1988	168	117	51
	1989 (Upto Feb.)	34	14	20
Tripura	1988	1193	790	403
	1989 (Upto Feb.)	128	.	128
West Bengal	1988	23188	21370	1818
	1989 (Upto Feb,)	3877	3360	517
Mizoram	1988	.	.	.
	1989 (Upto Feb.)			

रायपुर मध्य प्रदेश में उच्च न्यायालय की न्यायपीठ की स्थापना किया जाना

407. **श्री अजीत योगी :** क्या विधि और न्याय मंत्री 30 मार्च, 1989 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 3523 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश के रायपुर में उच्च न्यायालय की न्यायपीठ की स्थापना के संबंध में राज्य सरकार से शीघ्र अभिमत मांगने के लिए केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा क्या पहल की जा रही है ; और

(ख) क्या केन्द्र सरकार एक निश्चित अवधि तक अभिमत की प्रतीक्षा करने के बाद इस संबंध में स्वत: निर्णय लेगी ?

विधि और न्याय मंत्री तथा जल संसाधन मंत्री (श्री बी० शंकरानन्द) : (क) मध्य प्रदेश सरकार को स्मरण करा दिया गया है ।

(ख) जी नहीं ।

Receipt of long term loans by Housing Development Finance Corporation of India from AID

408. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Housing Development Finance Corporation of India has received a long term loan of $ 35 million from this Agency for International Development (AID);

(b) if so, what are the terms and conditions of the said long term loan; and

(c) how the HDFC will invest the amount in the housing sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The amount is not provided by USAID, but guaranteed by it.

(b) The loan has a final maturity of 15 years including grace period. Interest on the loan is on a fluctuating basis, calculated at 0.7 per cent per annum over the U. S. Government treasury bill rate.

(c) The amount will be on lent by HDFC under its scheme of financing housing for low income group.